

# **VERMONT CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COUNCIL**

**January 27, 2016**

**PITTSFORD, VERMONT**

**11:00AM**

## **Members in Attendance**

Chief Christopher Brickell, Council Chair  
Executive Director Richard Gauthier, Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council  
Joe Damiata, Vermont League of Cities & Town (Public Seat)  
John Treadwell, Vermont Attorney General's Office  
David Fenster, Vermont State's Attorney & Sheriffs' Office  
Heather Simons, Proxy for Commissioner Menard, Vermont Department of Corrections  
Constable Silas Loomis, Vermont Constable Association  
Sheriff Stephen Benard, Vermont Sheriff's Association  
Sergeant Thomas Mozzer, Vermont Troopers Association  
George Scribner, Proxy for Colonel Jason Batchelder, Vermont  
Department of Fish & Wildlife

## **Other Attendance**

Jacob Humbert, VT Attorney General's Office  
John Gonyea, Vermont Police Academy  
Gail Williams, Vermont Police Academy  
Mike Major, Vermont Police Association  
Mike O'Neil, Representative for Vermont Troopers Association  
Jeff Whitesell, Winhall Police Department  
George Merkel, Vermont Police Association

**Chief Brickell:** Called the meeting to order at 1100.

Chief Brickell spoke to the Council member's in regards to a request from Cara Cookson, from Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services (VCCVS), to have a seat on the Council. Ms. Cookson was invited to the meeting to speak to the Council, but did not attend.

Executive Director Gauthier announced to the Council TJ Anderson had given her notice and will be retiring on March 4, 2016, and that he is meeting with Human Resource to begin recruiting for her position.

Executive Director Gauthier gave a brief overview of the work that has been done on the Decertification Proposal. There was discussion with the proposal, concerns with some of the

language, and suggestions for clarification. Changes will be made as discussed. Motion to approve the changes were unanimous.

Break for lunch 12:30

Meeting resumed 1:00

Chief Brickell introduced John Rogers, Executive Director at the Maine Criminal Justice Training Academy. Director Rogers spoke to the Council members about the polygraph licensing and procedures used at the Maine Academy. He spoke of the benefits of having a set procedure and how this procedure has helped Maine. Discussion ensued with questions and comments from Council members.

Motion to adjourn was made by Sheriff Benard, seconded by Major Scribner.  
Meeting adjourned at 1430.